In addition, B. S. High School, Sundergarh in the neighbourhood of Bihar where Hockey is equally popular, has also been adopted.

(ii) *Sports project development area (SPDA) scheme*

Keeping in view the Hockey potential in that area, SAI is setting up an SPDA Centre at Gumla which will cater to the children from the four neighbouring districts.

(iii) *Special area games (SAG) Scheme*

Under the Special Area Games Scheme, talented hockey players have been scouted from the tribal belt of Bihar covering Ranchi, Gumla, Palamu and Singhbhum districts drawn from the traditionally famous Khasi tournaments. The talent was scouted during 1988, 1990, 1992 and 1993. The Hockey players are imparted scientific training/coaching in the SAG Centre at Ranchi. At present, there are 31 trainees at the Centre (16 boys and 15 girls). The trainees are also provided non-formal education. In addition, a special Hockey Stadium with synthetic Hockey surface was laid in 1992 by Bihar State with the help of Govt. of India in Ranchi.

Development of play fields in Bihar

2182. SHRI S. S. AHLUWALIA: Will the Minister of HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that the Central assistance is available to the States and Union Territories for the development of play fields therein;

(b) if so, what are the details thereof;

(c) the amount of the Central assistance availed of by Bihar for the purpose during the last three years with year-wise details thereof; and

(d) the number of play fields developed in Bihar during the said period?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HUMAN RESOURCE DEVELOPMENT (DEPARTMENT OF YOUTH AFFAIRS AND SPORTS) AND THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI MUKUL WASNIK): (a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Under the Scheme of Grants for Creation of Sports Infrastructure, financial assistance for development of play field is rendered subject to the cost being shared between the Union Government and the sponsoring agencies/State Government concerned in the ratio 75 : 25 in respect of the Hilly/Tribal Areas and 50 : 50 in case of other areas. Under another Scheme of Grants to Rural Schools, a lump-sum grant of Rs. 1.00 lakh, without any matching contribution from the State Government, is available for a school, situated in rural area only, for development of play field or for purchase of non-consumable sports equipment or for both.

(c) and (d) No Central assistance for development of play fields has been availed by Bihar during the last three financial years. However, during the current financial year, an amount of Rs. 15,57,656 only has been sanctioned in favour of nineteen rural schools for purchase of non-consumable sports equipment as per Statement.

Statement

S. No.	Name of the School	Amount sanctioned and date	Purpose
1	2	3	4
		Rs.	
1	High School, Nehra, Mehargachi, District Darbhanga.	1,00,000/- 9-6-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
2	Ram Sahai High School, Fatehpur, District Gaya.	1,00,000/- 26-7-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
3	A.N.S. High School, Suggi District Gaya	1,00,000/- 6-9-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
4	High School, Mohanpur, District Gaya	1,00,000/- 6-9-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
5	G.M. High School, Sagarpur, District Jahanabad	1,00,000/- 6-9-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
6	R.P.S. High School, Terari, District Bhojpur	71,011/- 13-9-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
7	Mithila High School, Asthua District Darbhanga	53,608/- 24-9-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipments.
8	High School, Banipur, District Darbhanga	82,217/- 30-9-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipments.
9	High School, Lagma, District Samastipur	70,343/- 30-9-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
10	S.R.Y. High School, Reoith, District Gopalganj	90,886/- 4-10-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
11	J. M. High School, Kamtour, District Darbhanga	74,288/- 4-10-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
12	Chandra Gokul High School, Machhargawan District East Champaran	43,080/- 5-10-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
13	Shri Hari Har High School, Patila, West Champaran District.	90,203/- 5-10-93 T	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
14	High School, Kurtha, District Jahanabad	56,956/- 5-10-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
15	N.K. High School, Salighat Hirni, District Darbhanga	90,022/- 5-10-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
16	Janta High School, Shivanagar Ghat, District Darbhanga.	84,616/- 5-10-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
17	G.A. High School, Dihari, District Buxar	61,880/- 5-10-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
18	Yashwant High School, Khazerganj, District Gaya.	96,067/- 2-12-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.
19	Haridas Seminary Chandrauti, District Gaya	92,479/- 13-12-93	For purchase of non-consumable sports equipment.